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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

This is a reply to a non-final Office Action mailed March 22, 2002. A reply is due by June 22, 2002, which is a Saturday, making the reply due by June 24, 2002. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the pending rejections is respectfully requested. A Letter to the Official Draftsperson submitting corrected drawings of FIGS. 1A, 3A and 3B accompanies this reply.

In the claims:

Please add the following claims:

- 36. (New) The defective semiconductor package of claim 30, wherein the cover member covers from about 70% to about 98% of the opening formed by the wire bond slot.
- 37. (New) The defective semiconductor package of claim 30, wherein the wire bond slot is associated with the defective die attach site.

